

## Legal Status of Library To Be Aired

Library Board Member Ross Hickcox is to present the legal status of the Sierra Madre Library at the June 8 meeting of the City Council.

At a Tuesday afternoon meeting, the Board reports investigation of the County Library system. This action follows Councilman Herman Barter's proposal at last Council meeting that investigation should be made of the County Library system as a possible step toward economy and "a more satisfactory library service."

Full information on workings of the County service was given in last week's NEWS.

## Rev Burlison New Pastor At Nazarene

Rev. Orian G. Burlison will assume the pastorate of the Nazarene Church Sunday when he delivers his first sermon



REV. ORIAN G. BURLISON

next Sunday. He succeeds the Rev. J. W. Henry who has accepted a call to the Nazarene Church at El Centro, Calif.

Rev. Burlison comes to Sierra Madre from the church at Corona. He will be assisted by his wife, Mabel Burlison, an ordained minister and talented musician and composer. The Burlisons received their training at the Pasadena Nazarene College. They have worked much with young people, Rev. Burlison having been active in Boy Scout work.

The family which includes a daughter, Lois, 15, and son, Carleton, 12, will reside at the church residence, 62 East Highland Avenue.

**THE CITY MAKES A PLEA to conserve every drop of water. The level is below normal.**

## THAR'S SCENERY IN THEM THAR HILLS



THE STARK GRANDEUR OF OLD MOUNTAINS proved the drawing card for early settlers and continues to bring new residents to Sierra Madre seeking the simplicity and satisfaction of a small town.

The NEWS takes pleasure in reproducing above an old picture

belonging to R. C. Lewis, taken at the approximate corner of Adams and Grandview. Center house is the present site of Oscar Seiling's home; next right, is the Humphries house, right edge is the site of present Lewis home.

## Girl Scout Dedication Monday Eve

Culminating a year of energetic Scouting and fund raising, all Girl Scouts, adult registered Scouts and civic leaders will gather Monday evening at 7:30 for dedication of the Girl Scout Annex to the Youth Hut on Sierra Madre Blvd.

The new meeting room, which was secured through hard work of all Scouts in their Cookie Sale and the combined efforts of the organization's Finance Committee, will be dedicated by R. C. Lewis, who headed that committee.

Combined with the dedication will be the final Scout Council meeting of the year. Mrs. Louis Martin, regional chairman of the "Big Tree Region" of Southwest states, will speak on "United Through Cooperation."

Commissioner Mrs. P. R. Woodworth is scheduled to speak also, the slate of officers for the coming years will be presented and refreshments will wind up the event.

## JACKSON BESTOWS BLESSING AND FREE FEE

Sierra Madre's City Council gave a boost last week to youthful enterprise. Bob Faller and Jack Fellers, two high school boys with ambitious summer plans, wanted to know if they would need a license to charge city residents for painting their house numbers on their curbs. The Council wasn't just sure, off-hand, but gave its blessing to the enterprise. Councilman Don Jackson told them to go ahead, and if it turned out a fee was required, he would pay it himself. The boys departed happily.

## WEATHER REPORT

Temperatures		
	Max.	Min.
May 27th	70°	56°
May 28th	62°	54°
May 29th	70°	47°
May 30th	74°	58°
May 31st	69°	54°
June 1st	74°	53°
June 2nd	67°	53°
Rainfall		
June 1—24 Hrs.	.04	
June 2—24 Hrs.	.34	
Season	10.73	
Last Season to date	20.49	

## Capt. Wins Added Honor

Warren Peterson, captain of the Muir College swimming team for the last two seasons won credit for his school and home town when he made three first places in the Coast League (5 high schools of Southern California) in the 220 free style, the medley relay and free style relay.

## FAMILY JOINS IN BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Howard Morgridge celebrated his birthday Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Morgridge, 19 W. Orange Grove. Guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Don Seeger and son, William; Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Mills and children, Christine and George and Mrs. Howard Morgridge and daughter, Sarah.

## ON THE PASSING OF A FRIEND

You know, a part of Our Town died last week with George Rikeman, a part of the gentle, kindly mellow spirit that to many of us is Sierra Madre.

No, I didn't know him well, if you mean knowing all the vital statistics; but if you mean that direct appreciation of the quality of a person, then, yes, we all knew him and were refined by being with him if but for a moment.

Slowly, one by one, those whose influence make the village more than a mere place to live, more an indefinite wraith which permeates our very living, slowly, they are leaving us—until, not too long hence, we shall have to accept the chalice and become bearers of that very feeling to those initiates who yearn for more than just a place to dwell. It's too bad we didn't tell Mr. Rikeman how much we appreciated him while he was here to enjoy the words, but people are always startled and discomfited when you attempt to express the fulness of your heart.

Blessings, gentle spirit, on your further voyage—we shall have been better for your presence in Our Town.

—A FRIEND.

# New Subdivision Law Puts Obstacles in the Path Of Local Lot Divisions

## Ward Not to Subdivide Large Tract

E. Waldo Ward, local businessman and member of the Sierra Madre School Board, has withdrawn his application for subdivision of the East View Tract. This land, east of Canyon Drive, between Grandview Ave. and Sierra Madre Blvd., had been prominently mentioned as a school site before the \$180,000 school bond proposal was voted down on May 4 of this year.

In a letter to the Planning Commission, dated May 7 but not made public until the Commission met last Thursday night, Mr. Ward said he no longer sought permission to subdivide. No reasons for his decision were given in the letter, nor in an accompanying communication signed by his attorney, Noren Eaton.

The best-laid real estate plans of three Sierra Madreans have been struck a sharp blow by the city's six-month-old subdivision ordinance, wielded stoutly by the Planning Commission. The discomfited planners are Otto Klose, realtor, who asked permission to build houses with frontages 10 feet shorter than the minimum required by the ordinance; A. L. Suman, local pottery manufacturer, who would like to divide part of his Sturtevant Dr. estate into building plots; and Mr. Suman's nephew, Robert C. Gilbert, who owns land adjacent to his uncle's and has similar plans for it.

The Commission, convening last Thursday night at the City Hall for its regular monthly meeting, gave Klose and his associate, John W. Snowden, a flat "no." Gilbert was turned down on a motion by a vote of four to one. Two members refused to vote either way, saying they lacked sufficient information. Suman, noting Gilbert's fate, did not formally file an application, but his plan was discussed and sharply criticized.

The Commission based its attitude toward the Suman and

Gilbert projects on the objections of neighbors who claim that the lots, which front on East Alegria west of Canyon Dr., would lower the tone of the neighborhood because they would be too small. Said Dr. L. R. Johnston, 324 East Alegria: "Property on Alegria would be depreciated 50 per cent. . . What kind of house can you put on a 71-foot frontage?"

"A beautiful house!" retorted Mr. Suman. "The size of a house doesn't determine its artistic excellence."

Each of the Suman and Gilbert lots, as proposed, would be approximately 70 by 100 feet. Plenty large enough, in the opinion of the owners, considering the wooded and hilly terrain. Not large enough, as long as the neighbors object, replied Commission Secretary Walter W. Vannier. "This is not our idea," he said, "but the neighbors' . . . Work out something satisfactory to the neighbors before you come back to the Commission."

Declared Mr. Suman warmly as he departed: "I am not accustomed to consulting my neighbors on either my artistic or business plans. I'm afraid I'll see you in court first." The court reference, he later explained to the NEWS, was a figurative expression of discontent with the proceedings and not a threat of legal action.

Mr. Klose got nowhere with the Commission, who once before had refused to let him put 50-foot frontages on houses in the block bounded by Baldwin, Auburn, Alegria and Olive, an R1 (single family residence) zone. The ordinance provides 60-foot frontages but authorized variance by the Commission, subject to the welfare of the neighborhood. Klose and Snowden said their houses would improve the character of the neighborhood, a character they suggested was not exceptional anyway. The Commission disagreed.

Mr. Klose and Herman Barter, City Council representative on the Commission, clashed when Mr. Barter, noting the proposed houses would front on Olive St. but have their garages open on Alegria, asked: "Are you proposing to use Alegria as an alley?"

Hotly denying the implication, Mr. Klose said he was following a pattern already established by other houses in the block, and that anyway the

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## Local School Selected As Teachers Summer Study

A summer workshop for elementary teachers will be held at the Sierra Madre public school July 5-30. Superintendent Charles A. Skutt announced this week.

The workshop not only will give teachers an opportunity to work with children under the direction of supervisors, but it will give 100 Sierra Madre children in all elementary grades a chance for specialized summer school training during that period.

County Superintendent of Schools C. C. Trillingham chose Sierra Madre and the Lincoln School of the Paramount School District for the expanded workshop program because of the co-operative attitude of local school officials and the facilities available.

The program will give teachers a chance to prepare instructional materials and techniques for their own classes which begin in September.

The teacher-training institutions in the area, including

eight universities, have agreed to grant four units of credit for participation in the workshops toward a regular credential or toward a Bachelor's Degree.

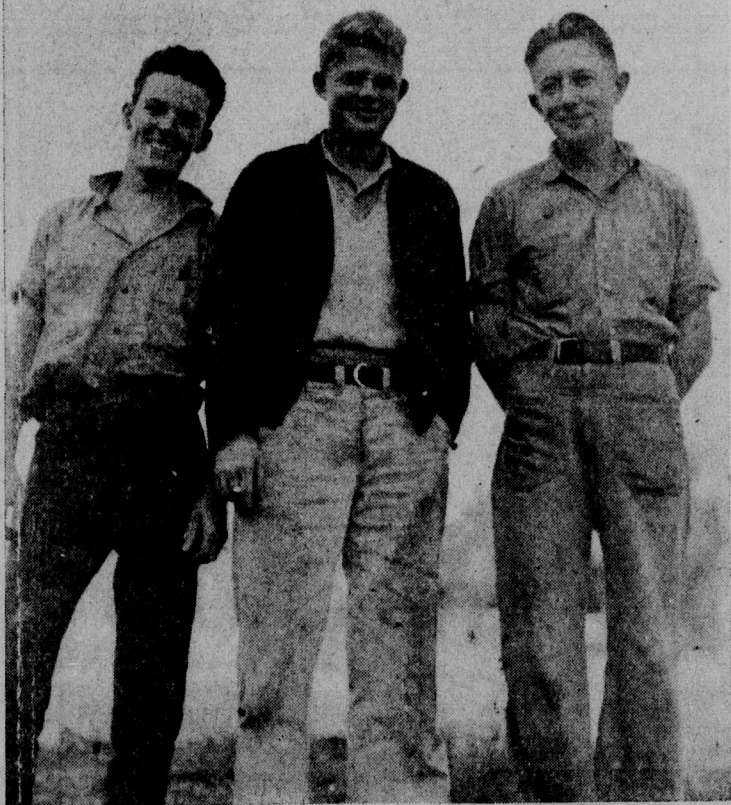
The program of the workshops has been designed for primary, intermediate and upper-grade teachers. Practice in the teaching of the fundamental subjects of the elementary grades, plus some of the specialized fields, such as art, music, science, physical education and kindergarten, will be stressed.

Teachers holding emergency credentials are especially invited to investigate the workshop program as a means of bringing their training up to the standard set by the State of California.

The workshop will convene from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. during five days of each week.

Skutt said that so far 85 children are registered for the summer sessions. Registration is limited to 100 children.

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## Last Year's Pioneer Days Found Doggone Good Fun

It rained last year too, remember? But it failed to dampen any spirits and Sierra Madre turned out en masse to watch and take part in the

town's first Pioneer celebration. Remember Norman O. Nelson in his shrewd characterization of a drummer—his

narrow short trousers, the small-crowned, faintly surprised straw hat, the white cotton socks and the battered suitcases?

Remember Kenneth Kearney and lovely wife, Jean, strolling sedately down the boulevard—he in full regalia of a Union General—she in a proper period gown? Remember their sedate bows and the courtly clanking of his rented sword? And Mrs. Boyd Keith in an authentically bustling and skirted frock—parasol tipped over gracious blonde head?

And Larry Garland selling balloons (at a small profit) in a bulbous derby and sweeping mustachios?

And Lorne Pratt, a young Abe Lincoln in his swallow tails, chin beard and his own gangly length, pulling the whole shin-dig together with his enthusiasm and showmanship?

If you were there—then turn the page—or bear with us while we leaf back through recollections of the first Pioneer Days ever to be celebrated in the town.

The ball was started rolling by the Lions Club—and got a hearty push from other organizations—achieving such momentum that it scored a bullseye on sunny Saturday when the hilarious parade went by. Despite a Scotch mist that weathered the hills and even a perceptible precipitation, the carnival opened and the kids went round and round and their parents after.

Saturday dawned fair and the Lions went jubilantly to their huge breakfast honoring Lions International President Frew W. Smith.

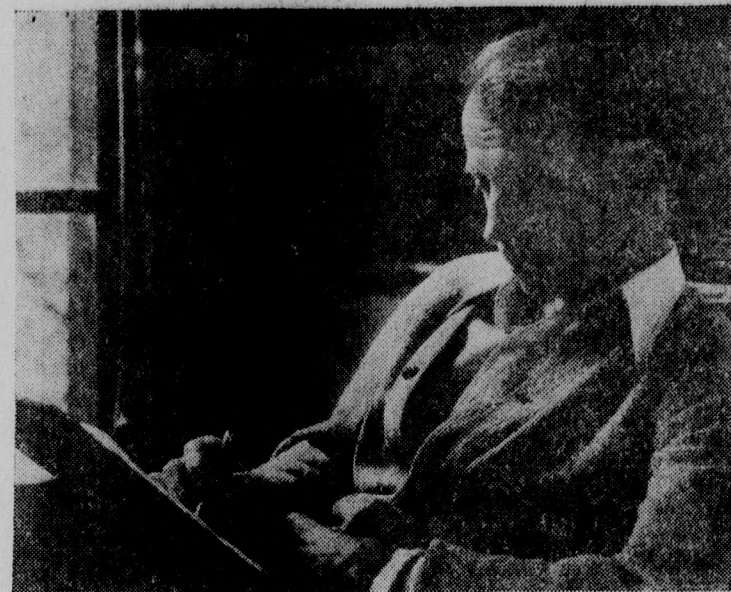
The parade itself was a tremendous success and as the last notes of the bands died away the younger crowd converged on the carnival while the older residents passed the time of day on the sidewalks and in the shops.

## Alfred Dewey's Name Knit Closely With Community's

Most informed persons would probably agree that Alfred James Dewey is the dean of Sierra Madre art, what with the wide distribution of his work and the imprint of the energetic Arts Guild upon the town. His interest in small town activities plus his frank and barbed wit has made his one

"In these fifty years I must have sold thousands of pictures but I don't know where they all went to."

From the School of Industrial Arts in Philadelphia, young artist Dewey turned readily to illustrating calendars, then passed to sketching rapid black and white caricatures of celeb-



ALFRED DEWEY (Awhile Back)

of the town's best-loved characters.

The Dewey name brings to mind a picture of Sierra Madre symbols: her back-drop of mountains, her little green patches of meadow in spring, among sycamores and eucalyptus; her lazy-sweeping pepper trees; her three-cornered "Square"; her "four horsemen" of the Sweet Adeline Quartet; her perennial, prize-winning floral floats for Pasadena's Rose Parade, all designed by Dewey.

His influence and teaching have helped many students express their favorite scenes and dreams in paint. Illustrating the widespread legend that surrounds him, he recently said:

ities and would-be celebrities for the old New World.

His drawings of American country life, types and scenes for Harper's Magazine were exhibited in many shows and he became a member of the Illustrator's Club.

Life in Pleasantville, N.Y., seemed pleasant till he recalled Horace Greeley's advice, "Go West, young man," nearly twenty years ago.

Complete with wife Sally, the children, baggage and the family car, he struck out for the "land of sunshine." After a series of adventures similar to those of the Swiss Family Robinson, the Deweys settled in Sierra Madre. Amen.

## The Albert Gabriel Wingates to Live in Sierra Madre Following Wedding Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gabriel Wingate are honeymooning at Laguna Beach following a garden wedding Sunday afternoon at the home of the bride's aunt in Long Beach. The bride is the former Rowena Adell Shipway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Shipway, 292 East Laurel. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Wingate of Long Beach. Rev. Carl Smith of Sierra Madre Congregational Church officiated.

Robert W. Wingate, the groom's brother, of Long Beach, was best man. Soloist Stuart Ogborn was accompanied by Miss Jean Askew.

The bridal gown was lace net over taffeta and made with a lace bodice, long pointed sleeves, a sweetheart neckline and a long train, set off by an illusion fingertip veil. She carried two white orchids surrounded by white rosebuds and pale pink sweetpeas.

Her sister, Miss Ardis Marie Shipway, was maid of honor and wore turquoise net over taffeta. Mrs. Earl E. George was bridesmaid in rose net over taffeta.

feta. The gowns were styled off the shoulder with rolled collars, puffed sleeves, tight bodices and bouffant skirts.

A patio reception followed the ceremony. After Sunday the couple will be at home at 189 West Highland.

The bride is a graduate of Pasadena City College. The groom attended U.C.L.A. and served four years with the U.S. Merchant Marine.

◆ The public appearance agenda of pantomime comedian Don Miller, 29 Suffolk, included two performances May 27 and 28 in a Gay Nineties Show in Glendora and June 1 at the Masonic Temple of that city.

◆ Mr. and Mrs. Earl P. Benson, 599 West Sierra Madre Blvd., were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark in Culver City.

◆ Boyd Keith Sr., Boyd Jr., and friend Richard Hauck spent the holidays fishing at the head of Kern river in the High Sierras.

◆ The Mapha club held a social gathering for 15 couples at the home of Mrs. E. K. Boisoit in Pasadena recently.

◆ Teen-agers at the recent dance were chaperoned by Joe Jackson Butler and Sam McElfresh.

◆ Mr. and Mrs. J. Caden Jenkins of 259 East Grandview have been spending a few days at Weymouth Inn, in the redwoods of Humboldt County.

## THE REVOLUTION OF FATHER SMITH

Of all the recollections of last year's Pioneer Days, the picture of Rev. Harley Smith holds all the salient points of human interest.

Seems that Father Smith, standing idly by the ferris wheel, was asked to take a young parishioner aloft. He did—only to descend and find another waiting. And then another—until the good-hearted man passed the best part of the day revolving slowly through the air—holding the small fists of young Sierra Madreans.

Wonder what he plans for this year?

## Light Vote Polled in Sierra Madre

A little over 50% of the Sierra Madre voters turned out at the polls Tuesday, 1942 votes out of a registration of 3669 being cast.

### Sierra Madre President

Earl Warren ..... 828  
Harry S. Truman ..... 504

### Congress

Republican—  
Hinshaw ..... 835  
Gerber ..... 130  
Democratic—  
Hinshaw ..... 337  
Esternan ..... 188  
Gerber ..... 200  
Low ..... 32

### Assembly

Republican—  
Carl Diesendorf ..... 85  
Geo. L. Kelley ..... 78  
Bruce Reagan ..... 488  
Clarence Thurber ..... 255  
Democratic—  
Diesendorf ..... 341  
Kelley ..... 176  
Reagan ..... 154

For members of County Committee, figures are not available but indications are that Tom Schwartz and Mrs. Narozny of this city are re-elected on the Republican and Democratic tickets, respectively, to succeed themselves.

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## Tentative Approval To National Guard Armory

Sierra Madre moved a step closer this week to obtaining a \$120,000 National Guard Armory. The project has been given tentative approval both by the City Council and the Planning Commission.

Meeting in special session over the week-end, the Council voted to submit the "letter of intent" required by the government if any further negotiations are to be carried on. The letter will state the city's willingness to provide for the building the piece of city-owned land adjacent to the Woman's Club on Sierra Madre Blvd. It has not yet been decided whether the land will be deeded or leased. If it is deeded, the National Guard has stated construction would be begun within six months. If leased, it might be 18 months or longer.

In passing a resolution approving the project, the Planning Commission stressed the many civic uses such a building would have and voiced the hope that it might form the nucleus of a future civic center.

The main portion of the armory would be a central assembly room 60 by 120 feet, suitable for public meetings, dances, and athletic events when it was not being put to military use. Also included in the plans are a classroom, a locker room, supply room, office, custodian's room, and kitchen.

## MRS. C. E. RAPPOLEE PASSES AWAY AT ORLANDO, FLA.

Word has been received this week of the death of Mrs. C. E. Rappolee of Orlando, Fla. Mrs. Rappolee passed away last Wednesday in the Orlando Hospital where she was taken the previous Sunday for surgery.

Comdr. and Mrs. Rappolee sold their home at 491 West Montecito two years ago and went to Florida to live. They made many friends in the ten year stay in Sierra Madre. Mrs. Rappolee was a devoted worker in the Congregational Church.

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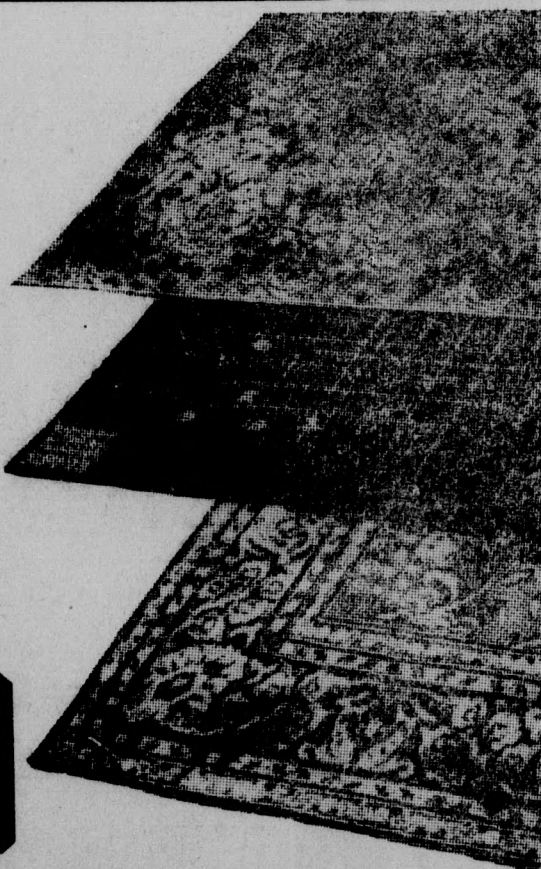
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## MENTAL STIMULUS

In 1855 Abraham Lincoln said: "We must meet the (liquor) traffic in one of two ways, furnish the recruits to keep up the ever increasing army of drunkards or take temptation out of the way of the coming generation by prohibiting it. Which way do you prefer to meet the traffic?"

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## City Battles For Water; Wins Lengthy Litigation

By C. W. JONES  
First Mayor of Sierra Madre

Sen. Lesley R. Hewett, becoming a Superior Court Judge, connected with Los Angeles City in her Owens Valley water litigation, was engaged as Sierra Madre's principal counsel in its water litigation with E. J. "Lucky" Baldwin. This eventually proved to be a very fortunate choice.

Baldwin's protege, a nephew, H. A. Unruh and the administrator of his estate, had been schooled in his uncle's disaffection for anything pertaining to Sierra Madre, to a degree which seemed to exceed his uncle's antipathy. It developed into a battle royal, extending over several years and called into consultation experts on water-sheds, water rights, municipal preference, rainfall, etc.

The Court decided our right to condemn and then followed a second round to determine the amount of damage to assess against the city—the plaintiff. This prolonged the struggle many more months. But Judge Conroy, later on the State Supreme Bench, finally awarded judgment in the amount of \$55,000. (Based on minimum

flow and at a fixed price for gravity water as so much per miner's inch.)

Round three consisted of calling an election and selling the idea to the taxpayers, which was no difficult thing to do. But the city soon learned that it was easier to contract to tax itself than it was to sell the bonds to get the money to liquidate the judgment, and almost lost the struggle to get the water we had now considered in the bag. It was due to two elements: municipal bonds could not be sold for less than par and accrued interest and about the time we wanted to market them there were no buyers at such figures, a big slump in the bond market having developed. Advertise we did, time and again only to fail in getting bids.

This was becoming embarrassing to everyone and the failure of our long strife again seemed to stare us in the face. It was at this point where we discovered our wisdom in securing Senator Hewett as our guide.

Having served in the state legislature at the time of Governor Hiram Johnson, now U. S.

## AROUND THE TOWN

◆ Mr. and Mrs. Harold Roberts, 306 East Alegria, left recently for a three-week motor trip to San Francisco and the north country.

◆ Mrs. Harold Straughn and daughter, left Friday night for Terre Haute, Ind., called there by the death of Mrs. Straughn's grandfather, Elmer Ring.

◆ Mr. and Mrs. Dan Gatlin and son, Danny, of 38 West Grandview, are leaving soon to make their home at Spokane, Washington.

◆ Mrs. Lorene Adwell, 115 Canyon, flew to Leadville, Kentucky, after receiving word of the critical illness of her mother.

◆ Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Schreier, 400 East Montecito, spent the holidays at work on their new split-log cabin at Wrightwood, in the San Bernardino Mountains.

◆ Mrs. Howard Skeels returned Monday from a few days visit in Reno, Nevada.

Senator, was at the head of our state government and knowing the State Board of Control did at times invest in municipal and other government bonds. Hewett was sent with the writer to Sacramento to interview the governor in our behalf. Our mission was rewarded by the sale of the entire issue to the State of California. The judgment was satisfied and our city then became owner of its "first drop of water."

The last round was simple and easy, though it did consume considerable time—that of acquiring the balance of all water rights in the canyon, the water bearing grounds and distributing system of the Mutual Water Company. This was consummated in all details in 1914.

## THE TOWN'S FIRST CHURCH



BUT NOT FOR LONG did it stand. According to Historical Society archives it was built in 1886 for Episcopalian services, but blew down in 1887. The land had been donated by Miss Frances H. Hawks, and so upon the ruins of their first church the energetic congregation erected a second building—Church of the Ascension—and from that courageous work emerged the beginnings of the present church at Laurel and Baldwin Avenues.

## Methodists and Baptists Gave Episcopalists a Chance On Fifth Sunday Only

You waited your turn and took your chances at church-going in early Sierra Madre, according to recollections of Miss Lydia Webster which are gathered in the archives of the Historical Society.

"The first services," she recalls, "were in the little rough board, white-washed school house among some live oaks close to the roadside."

"The Sundays were alternately divided between the Methodists and the Baptists, except when a fifth Sunday happened in the month, then the 'Episcopalists' were allowed to squeeze in a service."

At length the Episcopalians determined to erect their own church and gave the contract for building on the land at Laurel and Baldwin to a Pasadena architect. The building was put up and many handsome donations added for the first services February 15, 1886.

**CHURCH COLLAPSE**  
Alas, on the night of October 10, 1887, a wind blew. Even now, 61 years later, there is disagreement on the intensity of that elemental movement of air—but the net result was the flattening of the church.

"It was utterly destroyed," says Miss Webster, "The collapse was due to faulty construction as well as the wind."

WHAT IS IT?  
*It is Fiesta time!*

WHEN IS IT?  
*Sunday, June 6!*

WHERE IS IT?  
*Passionist Fathers Retreat House!*

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## Graduating Week at Anoakia

Anoakia Baccalaureate Service will take place Sunday afternoon at four o'clock in All Saints Episcopal Church, Pasadena. Anoakia's graduating class includes 35 this year with class officers: Mary Ann Keller, president; Dierdre Ann Treacy, student body Pres.; Patti Ann Smith, Pres. house council; Phyllis Randolph Thacker, editor of Annual; Carita Ackerman, Pres. of athletic Assn.; Ann Eaton, chairman of chapel council and Janann Everett, manager of "The Cinnamon Drop."

Commencement exercises will be held at Anoakia June 10 at 4:15 p. m. Senior girls will wear white formals and carry arm bouquets of red roses. Dr. F. P. Woellner of USC will speak on "Liberty and Responsibility."

## LETTERS TO EDITOR

May 25, 1948.

Mrs. Ione Ward,  
Sierra Madre News,  
9 Kersting Court,  
Sierra Madre, Calif.

My dear Mrs. Ward:

We wish to express our appreciation of your most generous publicity regarding the recent visit here of the Mobile Blood Bank Unit.

We feel that through this media many people were reached that could not otherwise have been.

Thanking you for this most welcome service, I am

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Dr. John L. Woehler,  
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## RECUPERATING AT SISTER'S HOME

Henry P. Howland, 44 Windsor Lane, who recently suffered a stroke, is at the home of a sister, Mrs. Rose Speece, in Los Angeles. His condition still is critical.

◆ Mrs. Frances Spargur of Oceanside, is guest for the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Spargur, 214 N. Adams.

## LETTER LIST

The following letters remained unclaimed in the Sierra Madre Postoffice for the month ending November 30, 1938:

### LADIES—

BISHOP, Mrs. Watt.  
GASS, Miss Lola  
McINTYRE, Mrs. A. E.  
REED, Mrs. S. T.  
REED, Lydia

### GENTLEMEN:

CLACK, Rev. J. M.  
GORDON, Rev. L. M.  
Signed: W. B. Crisp, P. M.  
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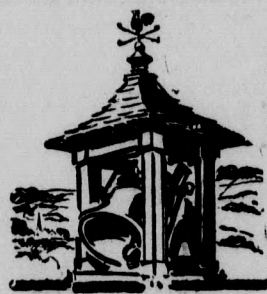
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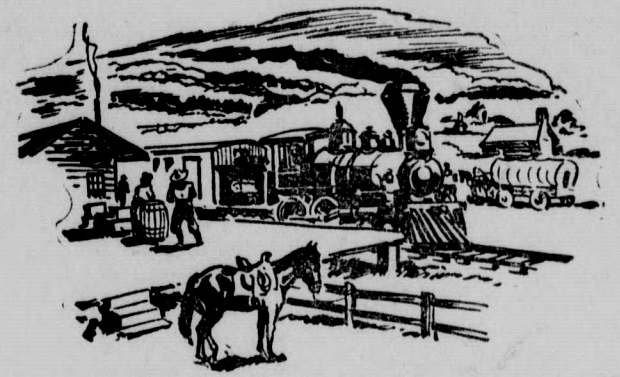


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Velma Pickett, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday at the Alhambra home of a cousin, Mrs. Robert Athay. Sierra Madre guests were Mrs. Art Embree, Mrs. Lewis I. George, Jr., Mrs. Frank Miller, Mrs. Kenneth Pickett, Elva Pickett and the honoree's mother, Mrs. Roy Pickett, 201 West Highland. Miss Pickett and Bert Embree, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Embree will be married June 25 in the Congregational Church.

### NEW SUBDIVISION

Commission was being asked to determine the size of the lots, and nothing else. On a more tranquil note, the Commission heeded the ancient plea, "Woodman, spare that tree!" The palms on East Sierra Madre Blvd., whose falling fronds allegedly damage the Bassett and Washburn Nursery, will be kept pruned but they will not be removed as previously proposed, decreed the Commission.

The Commission listened sympathetically to P. W. Kreuscher's odd problem. At 34 West Grandview Mr. Kreuscher owns a lot. On the back of the lot is a small residence, on the front is a foundation that's been sitting there over 10 years. Mr. Kreuscher thinks it's time the foundation had a house on it. However, in a house there is usually a kitchen. Already there is a kitchen in the small house. This would make two kitchens. The lot is zoned RL and so only allowed one kitchen. What to do?

Apply for a variance, said the Commission, and we can probably help you rescue the poor old foundation. Manzanita St., which now dead-ends just east of Park Ave., will be opened up to Lima at private expense if the City Council accepts the Planning Commission's recommendation. Charles E. Louk, acting on behalf of three property owners, asked permission to open the street.

### PARK LANE AND GRAND CENTRAL PALACE



A MEMORIAL EXHIBIT OF WATER COLORS, oils and sketch books from the hand of Laura Hawks Stevenson is on display at the Arts Guild building on Windsor Lane. Mrs. Stevenson, a member of the pioneer Hawks family in Sierra Madre, later took residence in Italy. One of the exhibits on view contains sketches of wild flowers growing here and drawn in 1886 by the artist.

### June Wedding Date Announced

Doris Elizabeth Jacobsen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Jacobsen, 534 Ramona, will become the bride of Donald O. Massingill of Glendale, Sunday, June 6, at 2 p.m., at the St. Augustin Danish Lutheran Church, Pasadena. The couple will make their home in Glendale.

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### Swarthout Sings Scottish Ballads on Air Monday

By T. A. MILLER

Suggested recipe for good radio listening this week consists of some Mendelssohn, Ravel, Mozart, Rossini and just a pinch of Delibes. Artist-chefs will be Maria Kurenko, Milton Katims, Gladys Swarthout and Robert Shaw conducting his capable 32 mixed-voice chorus who perform a cappella as well as with piano.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 5

(1:00-1:30 PM KECA) Johana Harris, pianist, is soloist in the Mozart "A Major Concerto," under baton of husband, Dr. Roy Harris, and ABC Symphony.

(2:30-3:00 PM KFI) First Piano Quartet play everything from Paganini-Liszt to DeFalla.

(3:30-4:30 PM KFI) Milton Katims returns to NBC Symphony to conduct harpist, Edward Vito, in Ravel's Introduction and Allegro for Harp.

Musical Haydn and Dohnanyi complete an excellent program. (8:00-10:00 PM KFAC) This week's opera on record is Boito's "Mefistofele," with soloists and chorus of La Scala, Milan.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 6

(6:15-6:45 AM KNX) E. Power Biggs arises at dawn to play organ works of Bach, Buxtehude and Boellmann.

(8:30-9:00 AM KNX) Another organist, Alexander Schreiner,

offers music of Stephens, Beethoven, Melling, and Cornwall.

(12:00 noon-1:30 PM KNX) Soprano soloist, Maria Kurenko, sings aria the Letter Scene from Massenet's opera "Werther," and a Mozart selection. Nicolai Berezowsky conducts the Sibelius "Symphony No. 2."

(8:30-9:30 PM KFI) Standard Hour.

MONDAY, JUNE 7

(8:00-10:00 PM KFAC) Artur Schnabel, pianist and peer of Beethoven works, heard on record in the great composer's "C Major Concerto."

(9:00-9:30 PM KFI) Two groups of songs, including Scottish ballads and an aria, are included in Gladys Swarthout's offerings on the Telephone Hour. Voorhees conducts "Valse Lente" from Delibes "Sylvia" ballet.

### Graduation Holds Center of Interest For Mothers

This evening in the School Cafeteria the 7th and 8th grades meet for a final love feast in the annual banquet. The program and decorations were taken from the theme of the occasion "The Treasure of Sierra Madre." The mothers of the 7th grade were in charge of serving the repast.

GRADUATION PARTY  
The 8th grade mothers issued invitations for a graduation dance to be given at the Park House following graduating program in the school auditorium June 10th. The mothers' committee. Mesdames Ralph Cordry, Charles Rizzo, Godfrey Lumsden and Sam Haskins, Jr. have provided for special entertainers, ballroom and square dancing and refreshments galore.

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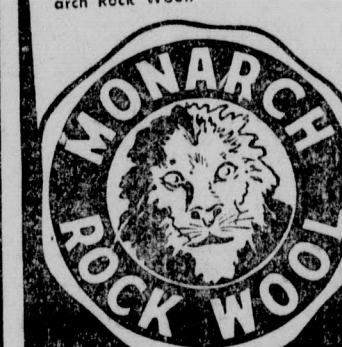
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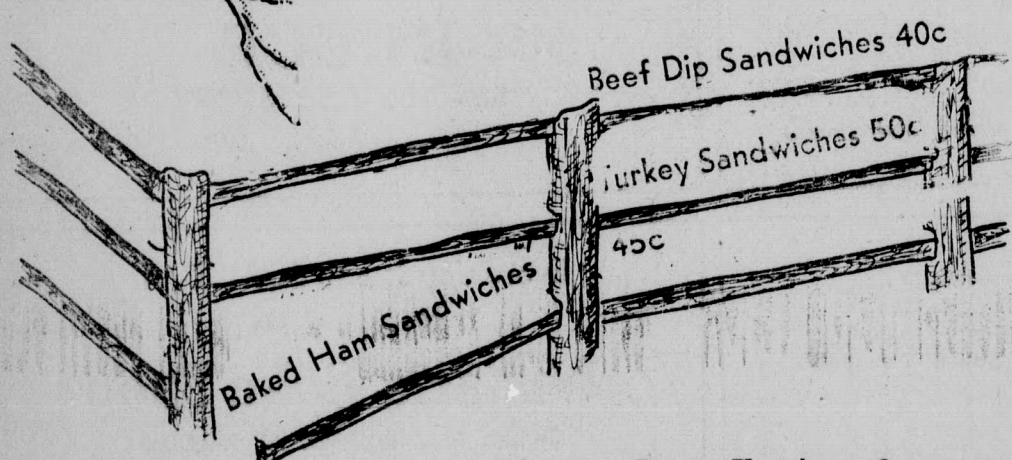
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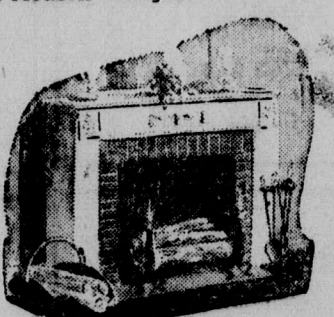
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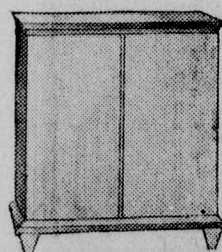
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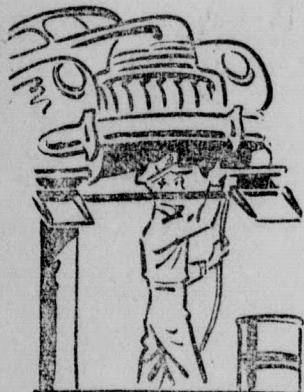
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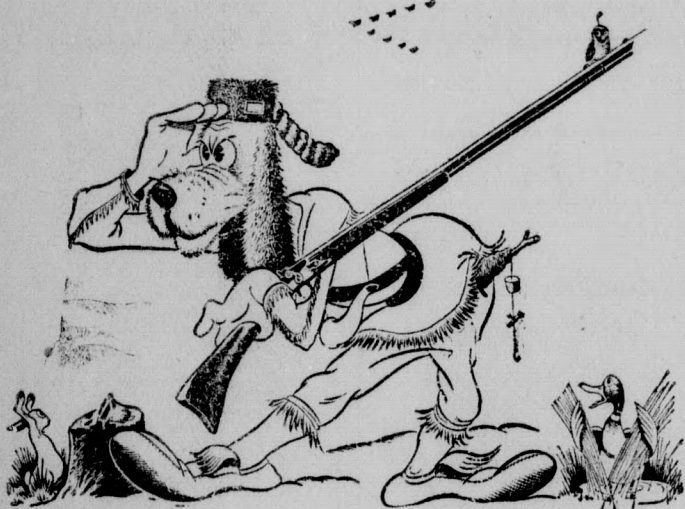
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"After the performance in Sierra Madre we gave the play at the Raymond Hotel, driving over in Mr. Twycross' bus in a real old fashioned California

"INEZ DE LAS ROCAS"



WITH ABILITY AND ENTHUSIASM and amazing success the young people of Sierra Madre trod the boards of the Town Hall stage in amateur theatricals. On more than one instance the casts were asked to repeat their performances in Pasadena at the swank Raymond and Green Hotels—driving thence in Mr. Twycross' omnibus. Pictured above (and it's our favorite of all) is Edith Blumer (Mrs. C. W. Bowen) in her role in the dramatic opus, "Contrabandista." She became Sierra Madre's first pin-up girl when photographer Humphries, without her knowledge sold copies of the picture to all male members of the cast.

re's first resident physician, was a great enthusiast.

"Young men actors were scarce in those days. At the age of 16, John Hart, son of Prof. Hart, was 'roped in' to do the 'lovers' parts,' which must have taken a good deal of courage in one so young and inexperienced. 'In 'Caste' I made my first appearance while still a school girl, taking the part of Polly Eccles.

"There was a baby in the play, and some enterprising spirit suggested borrowing

rainstorm. Some of the men had to get out at the Lamanda wash and go ahead with a lantern to ascertain whether or not we could cross without being drowned.

"The fashionable New York audience seemed to enjoy the performance very much, the chief criticism being made on the ancient vintage of the 'chimney pot hats.'

"My chief recollection of the play was the leading lady (who aspired to tragedy), shaking the none-too-steady mantel with her sobs, and in her ex-

### PASADENA PLAYHOUSE

George Kelly's Pulitzer Prize winning play called "Craig's Wife" comes to Pasadena Playhouse stage from June 2 to 20, a special extended run of three weeks, to paint a full length stage portrait of a selfish woman.

Kelly's gift of satire so amply displayed in "The Show Off," "The Torchbearers," "Reflected Glory" and many other hits, applies admirably to "Craig's Wife."

citement behind the scenes, packing the baby away (fortunately NOT Edith Steinberger) so that I was left rushing madly about looking for the baby when my cue came to take it on stage.

"In April, 1898, Mr. Percy South of London, England, a cousin of Mr. J. G. Blumer, who came here for his health and was an excellent actor, put on "The Private Secretary."

"He wrote it and put it on in three weeks, and after giving it in Sierra Madre we gave it at the Hotel Green in Pasadena when Mr. James Hawks made a wonderful hit with his part of "Little Willie," a simple-minded boy who never spoke a word during the whole performance.

Until the Woman's Clubhouse was completed in 1908, all these entertainments were given in the Town Hall. Enthusiastic amateurs made and painted the scenery and the footlights were oil lamps with tin reflectors around them.

"Many were the dances, plays and bazaars held in that old building, and in spite of its inconveniences, we were sorry for old times' sake, to leave it."



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### Storkland News

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney H. Raiken, 34 West Bonita, became parents of a daughter, May 20, at St. Luke Hospital.

A son, Joseph Ernest was born to Mrs. Joseph Barnes of 646 Orange Drive Saturday morning.

New arrival at the Hugh Warden home, 622 Mariposa, is

Christine Therese Erica Warden, born May 28 at St. Luke Hospital.

William Waldorf Astor has opened a regular business office in London.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Brown of 46 North Lima are the parents of a daughter, Mabelle Adaire, born Saturday morning at St. Luke Hospital, weighing seven pounds and one ounce. Mrs. Brown was the former Adaire Roach.

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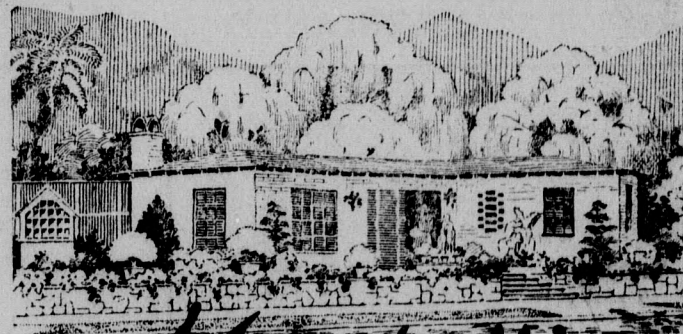


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### A SOCIAL

One of the most pleasing and successful socials that has ever taken place in Sierra Madre occurred last Thursday at the home of Mrs. E. Ferry.

Everyone was invited to take a string and follow it to its end. In a few moments there was a merry mix of young men and maidens. S. R. G. Twycross had a lively chase after the end of his twine, which led him out at the front door and in at the back, through windows, cracks and keyholes, obliging him to unwind his twine many times.

The receipts for the Aid Society reached the satisfactory sum of \$15.

Arthur Carter left yesterday morning for a week's fishing frolic and goat hunt at Catalina.

Nelson Smith, the traveling man, was at home Saturday and Sunday.

#### Tea Inebriety

People have come to think that intemperance applies only to those who are intemperate about the use of alcoholic liquors. It's time we began to include as inebriates those who are intemperate about all strong drinks, especially tea.

#### SIERRA MADRE RAINFALL

Season 1888-89.  
Measured by a United States standard gauge at "Sunny View" and reported by Mr. J. G. Blumer.

OCTOBER	13 in.
NOVEMBER	7.10 in.
DECEMBER	7.22 in.
JANUARY	23 in.
FEBRUARY	1.80 in.
MARCH	11.12 in.
APRIL	1.23 in.
MAY	1.59 in.
JUNE to date	.08 in.

Total to date.....30.50 in.

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2.—How are the nights in summer?  
Always cool and refreshing.

3.—Are sunstrokes frequent?  
They are unknown.

4.—What is the leading market fruit?  
The orange.

5.—What can good orange land be bought for?  
With water for \$85 to \$300 per acre.

6.—What would most excite the surprise of a newcomer from the East?  
Not the roughness of Western life and manners, but the likeness of society here with that of the East.

7.—Was not the boom of '87 and '88 disastrous to the country?  
No, although it was the ruin of some individuals.

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### TOWN HALL OF SIERRA MADRE

Was built in 1886 on the N. E. corner of Sierra Madre Blvd. (then Central Ave.) and Baldwin Ave. Situated to meet practically all needs of the small but energetic community, the corner doors opened on the grocery store of William H. Robinson (father of Mrs. Carlton Pegler); to the right was the famed cigar factory of Emil Deutsch; last came the postoffice.



Upstairs was the town's meeting place—a stage was center of all home talent entertainment which grew from a small Dramatic Club to an accomplished amateur group whose performances were witnessed by audiences from most neighboring towns. The Sierra Madre Woman's Club was organized in 1907 in the upper reaches of the Hall and met there for several years. In the late 1930's the old landmark was torn down.

### PROGRAM FOR CELEBRATION

#### Friday, June 4

9:00 A. M. to 11:30 P. M.—The Carnival will hold forth on the grounds east of the Woman's Clubhouse. There will be a merry-go-round, ferris wheel and all types of concessions.

All day—Mobile jail for beardless bounders will travel Sierra Madre streets. Don't miss this.

8:00 P. M.—Poster contest awards will be made by Lion's Club president, "Pappy" Welch. Children in all local schools are competing and the posters are now on view in shop windows.

#### Saturday, June 5

9:00 A. M.—Carnival opens.

9:30 A. M.—Parade formation on Highland Avenue east of Baldwin. Judging and awards made there by local committee of experts.

10:30 A. M.—Parade starts down Baldwin, making west turn on Sierra Madre Blvd. and then to Michillinda.

There will be a costumed horsemen, magnificent horses and beautiful silver saddlery; palominos, matched pintos, Morgans, a Tennessee Walker and ponies; cowboys, cowgirls and entertainers.

Drill teams will arrive from Monterey Park along with State champion Drum and Bugle Corps. Monrovia's Elks and Emblem Club Drill teams will participate as well as our V. F. W. Color Guard.

Reeves Rangers Band from Bellflower (last year's winner) will sound off and so will the Wilson High School Band. Floats include Sierra Madre Volunteer Firemen; Monrovia Fire Dept.; Monrovia Elks Lodge and commercial and novelty floats.

There will be several famous entries from the Horseless Carriage Society. And all small fry who are entering pets in the PET CONTEST will also parade. (Arf, arf, pfhht!)

2:00 P. M.—Judging of Pet Show entries on grounds west of Woman's Clubhouse.

8:00 P. M.—Whisker contest judging at Carnival grounds.

11:30 P. M.—Carnival Closes.

#### Sunday, June 6

12:00 NOON—Carnival opens for whomever is left and Pioneer Days are over.

Misty yesterday morning.

Will Frank is home from the city. He has been very successful with his camera.

Chinese preserved ginger root at Norris and Spears.

Gents' Outing Shirts 40 cents each.  
1 quart Lightning Jars just received at Norris and Spears.

Mr. Brewster, we regret to say, is no better.

County Clerk Ward issued certificates for 408 coyote scalps.

On Wednesday of last week Mr. Burris' grey horse, with delivery wagon attached, waltzed up Baldwin Ave. from the depot to the postoffice, then turned and glided down again until he ran afoul of a live oak in Baldwin's field, smashing the wagon quite badly. Miller says he will attach a ball and chain to the beast when he leaves him next time.

The Pasadena City Fathers have granted their street railway company permission to change the system from horse to electric power. This is certainly a move in the right direction and it is hoped that the change will soon be made.  
—1891.

Hecker's self-raising buckwheat at Norris and Spears.

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### IT WAS ALIVE

A broad-striped coat, a dotted vest, checkered trousers, a red tie, a stove pipe hat, a colored shirt, a collar very high, a pair of patent leather shoes, Oh picturesque display!

I thought it was a dummy Till it slowly moved away.

At an early hour Tuesday morning the gardener at Baldwin's killed a large wildcat that was creeping through the hedge to seize one of the fawns in the deer park. He hit it in the head with a rock. A good shot that.

The young ladies of Monrovia have organized a ladies' brass band. Probably they will return some of those serenades given them previously by the boys. Won't that be nice?

#### KITCHEN SENSE

Coffee cake should be wrapped while still warm, in a napkin, and there kept until cut.

Sometimes the fire will not burn readily at first, because the air in the chimney is cold; in that case burn a quantity of paper or shavings before trying to light other fuel.

Do not fill lamps to the top, and do not burn them until they are entirely empty, for fear of explosion.

#### CLASSIFIED CATALOG—OF BOOKS IN THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

BRAEME, Charlotte  
Her Mother's Sin, Set in Diamonds.  
BURNETT, Frances Hodgson  
Lord Fauntleroy.  
HOLLEY, Miss Marietta  
My Opinions and Betsy Bobbitt's.

READER, Charles  
A Terrible Temptation—Put Yourself in His Place!  
ANNUAL REPORT of the Bureau of Ethnology, 1881-82.

Some idea of the vastness of "Lucky" Baldwin's stock farm and vineyard at Santa Anita may be obtained from a statement of the fact that the taxes on the estate last year amounted to \$20,000. (1891).

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### A TRIBUTE

In the sudden and unexpected death of Mr. G. P. Rikeman, this Unit feels that it has lost a true and valued friend. His many acts of kindness and thoughtfulness, his unselfish and cheerful co-operation on many occasions over the past several years, have been a real help and inspiration to all of us. The poppy window arranged by him each year was of untold assistance in our annual campaign to raise much-needed funds for our disabled veterans and child welfare work. We shall miss Mr. Rikeman all through the years, but our loss will be most poignant on Poppy Days.

Unit No. 297  
American Legion Auxiliary

## C. W. Jones First Mayor After 1907 Incorporation

(From the records of the Sierra Madre Historical Society.)  
The Sierra Madre Tract originally was laid out in 20 and 40 acre lots and early settlers engaged in fruit-raising, including grapes, apricots, prunes, peaches, walnuts, figs and citrus fruits. For twenty years these agricultural pursuits thrived on the sunny slope.

In 1906, the first Pacific Electric car rumbled through the streets, bringing possibilities of more population and a need for organizing into a city.

On October 27, 1906, a meeting of the Improvement Association was called for the purpose of general discussion of incorporating. John George Blumer and R. D. Richards made strong arguments supporting such a movement. A petition to the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, asking for incorporation, was signed by 41 of those present.

Additional signatures bringing the number up to the required number by law (ten percent of the minimum population of 500) were promptly secured and the necessary steps were taken.

Late in January, 1907, at a citizens' meeting, nominations were made for city officers to be voted upon in February.

First officers of the newly-fledged city were: Trustees, Edgar W. Camp, Justus Kraft, N. Henry Hosmer, Charles W. Jones and John C. Pegler; Treasurer, Louis C. Torrance; Clerk and Assessor, John J. Graham; Marshal and Tax Collector, William P. Caley. Mr. Jones was elected Chairman of the Board, or Mayor.

A room in the Kersting Building, on what is now Kersting Court, housed the city government. Suitable purchases of



C. W. JONES

two long tables, half a dozen chairs and a couple of stools were made for the sum of \$5.00. The government functioned there until erection of the present City Hall in 1927.

During the first seven years after incorporation, the new city had paved and curbed 11 miles of streets; built culverts over deep and dangerous dips; condemned the E. J. (Lucky) Baldwin water rights and purchased the Sierra Madre Water Company's interest in all water rights in the Little Santa Anita; granted franchises for electricity, gas and telephone and laid the foundations for a prosperous and favorable community in which to live.

### Close Shave For Local Investors

A handful of Sierra Madreans once escaped being millionaires by the close margin of \$75—but the narrow squeak fails to disturb Convers L. Twycross as he relates the story now at his South Baldwin home.

There was some acreage down around what is now Huntington Beach (don't jump ahead of the story) and some perspicacious citizens of Sierra Madre determined that the strange dark earth found there was peat.

They formed the Anthracite Peat Fuel Company, sold shares and set up machinery to make briquets for open fire burning. Business in the peat market was not too brisk and so, at one time, they actually shipped some of the crumbly stuff to Redlands to be tried as a fertilizer.

But the market grew steadily duller and finally the stockholders were paid off about 20 cents on the dollar and the firm closed.

The acreage, that strange dark earth, was offered to the stockholders at \$75 an acre. But, recalls Mr. Twycross, it would have been a long time to trip there by horse and buggy—even if one bought it for a beach home. There were no takers.

The dark earth, of course, later proved to be oil-soaked—the fields developed there have brought in millions of dollars—but not to the stockholders of the Anthracite Peat Fuel Co. of Sierra Madre.

### SHORT NOTE ON A LENGTHY MATTER

It could not fail to come to the notice of nosy NEWS reporters that the box in which the invaluable manuscripts of the Sierra Madre Historical Society repose, is marked thus:  
FOREST MILLS WEAVE  
... Ladies' Union Suits ...  
size 36 ... price \$1.75.  
Who will own up to its ownership?

### ALA ACTIVITIES

The American Legion Auxiliary appointed a nominating committee last Thursday of Kitty Miller, Edna Fallner and Thelma Proctor when the club met at the home of Mrs. Henry Horner. The report will be made at the pot-luck garden party June 10th at the Hopper home, 317 North Auburn Ave.

The auxiliary, with members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, decorated graves at the Sierra Madre Cemetery Saturday afternoon. The ladies report that the appeal for flowers from the community was most generously responded to.

### M-A-D TENNIS TEAMS MEET IN ARCADIA PARK

Billy Gilbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Morris F. Gilbert of 700 North Auburn, is a member of one of the Monrovia-Arcadia-Duarte high school tennis teams and attended the picnic together supper held in the Arcadia Park when Ted Schroeder of Los Angeles, world champion, was a guest speaker.

### FIRST COOK-OUT FOR TROOP TEN

First in a series of cook-outs at the Youth Hut was held Wednesday by Girl Scout Troop 10. This is the first in a series for an outdoor cooking badge. Mrs. Hazel Morley, leader, was assisted by camp chairman, Mrs. Robert Crowell.

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## Brass Bands and Burros Dot Our Early Landscape

By C. W. JONES  
First Mayor of Sierra Madre

A brass band was organized by T. M. Webster and a bandstand constructed on vacant property where the Central Garage is now located not so long after I came to Sierra Madre. This stand was a place of many public meetings and was used for promoting the sale of Liberty Bonds during the World War.

The Woman's Club was organized in 1907 and about a dozen members contributed \$100 each for the lot. In 1909 the corner-stone was laid for the building that has housed more community meetings than any other building in town.

About that time a few members of the Masonic order were holding social meetings in the homes of different members and in 1910 organized Lodge No. 408 F. & A. M., leasing the second story of the Woman's clubhouse, where they continued to meet until the erection of the Temple on Sierra Madre boulevard.

The oldest organization of continuous popularity in Sierra Madre is the Public Library, having been established and housed in its present building many years before the coming of the Pacific Electric.

In addition to the popularity of mountain trails to hikers,

Mt. Wilson trail was the only way by which all supplies and freight were transported to the hotel on top and every day pack trains would begin their arduous climb, carrying every conceivable variety of freight, including lumber, water pipe, and pianos.

The stables on Mira Monte avenue, quite alive with burros, became the source for much complaint from the neighborhood and because the "industry" spread along Mountain Trail avenue and even to the P.E. station on Baldwin and Central, much difficulty was encountered in correcting what really had become a nuisance.

The burro problem was second only to that of "tent houses" which dotted many choice lots and back yards in town.

The one big problem following the incorporation was the fact that the city had no utilities of any kind, not even a drop of water. The water rights in the canyon and under the ground of the city were owned jointly by the Sierra Madre Mutual Water Company, E. J. (Lucky) Baldwin and private operators.

It is said that the Los Angeles County Bank is about to change its name to the Bank of America.—1891.

## SIERRA MADRE HARDWARE CO.

### A Pioneer of the 80's

In the late '80's C. M. Clark shipped a carload of hardware from Boston and set up in business in a frame building on the lot now Pratts Parking.

With some changes in personnel he continued until 1912 when C. W. Jones and W. S. Hull bought interest of his partner, John Graham and continued with Clark as partners until 1921.

Fred Griebenow and Charles Klunk then took over Clark and Jones interests and with Hull incorporated. Griebenow retired in 1945. Tom Schwartz came in last year and Emile Smith recently succeeded Klunk.



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Supposing a thin curl of smoke is spotted somewhere along the Mt. Wilson Trail. The

Forest Service dispatcher turns to the broadcasting unit which connects him with all look-outs and patrol trucks. He contacts the nearest look-out for sighting on the fire. Given the location, the dispatcher can compute which ridge of mountains is affected, how high, how accessible and what type of cover is growing there.

Time is the essence of fire fighting and a truck must not be loaded with axes if brush hooks are needed—nor should a bull dozer be sent if a helicopter will turn the trick.

From the vast warehouses the fire equipment is assembled, the fighters are loaded into trucks and the trucks roll out toward the mountains.

Those warehouses and loading zones have the appearance of an army camp ready for battle—and it is a battle, an endless campaign to save the watershed for us who live below.

### SCOINS FAMILY WILL LEAVE FOR EAST SOON

Dr. W. H. Scoins has at last found a home for his family in Wildwood, near his business in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. His wife and children, Bud Jr., and Suzy, 491 East Montecito, expect to move June 19.

Their home has been purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Hawkins of this city.

Mrs. Scoins and the children discovered the good news Sunday, when they returned from four days' vacation at Stoner Ranch, Diablo. The walnut and almond ranch is forty miles east of San Francisco and the family made their home there during the war when Dr. Scoins was in the service.

PLANS VISIT AT MILLBRAE  
Mrs. Eva D. Moore, 71 Victoria Lane, leaves June 9 for a two weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Powell Cassidy of Millbrae (near San Francisco). She will return home by plane.

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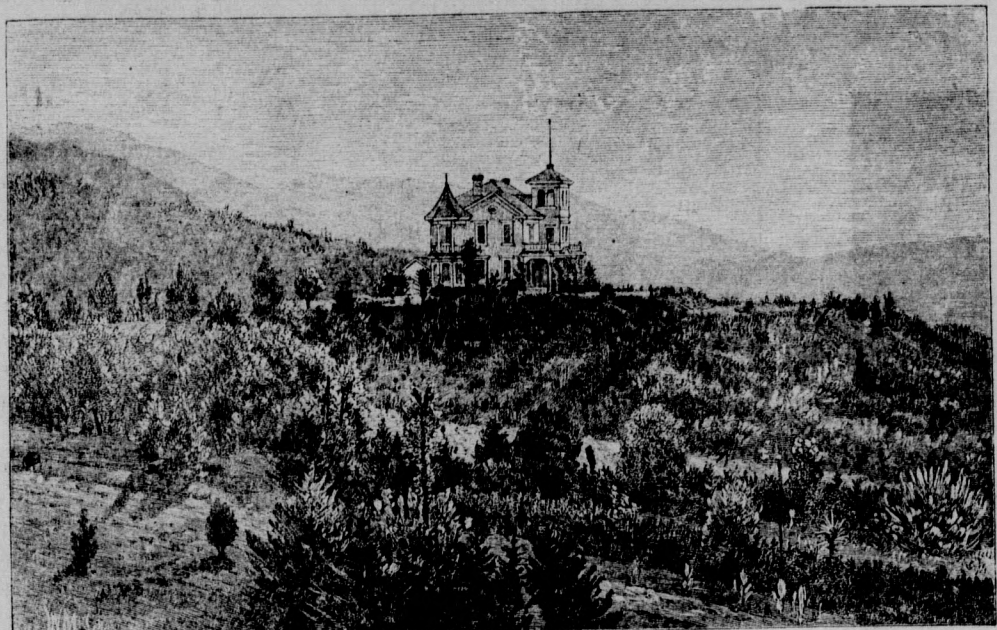
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**CARTER HIAH**—Through a friendly rivalry was the name of the great house built by N. C. Carter in the early 80's. Carter, it was, who developed the hillside acreage and brought the first settlers. An indefatigable booster for Southern California, he ran the first excursion on the Santa Fe to this part of the State. The black and white sketch above was made at the edge of Baldwin avenue just above West Miramonte looking to the Northeast. The home of Paul Carter, grandson of N. C. Carter, now sits above and slightly to the west of Mountain Trail—preserving for Carter heirs the sweeping view of the city they founded.

### Kiwanis Membership Includes Former Sierra Madrean

David H. Allen of the Sierra Madre Bank became the new member of Kiwanis last week. Mr. Allen comes from one of the older families of the foothill area. Allen Street in Pasadena was named after his family. He spent much of his boyhood in Sierra Madre while his father was president of the local bank. He served in World War II, coming out with rank of Lieut. Colonel.

### FRIENDSHIP CLUB CLOSES YEAR WITH PARK PICNIC

Sierra Madre and Pasadena Friendship Club will join for a picnic in the City Park, June 7, at 12:30. This final meeting closes the year's activities until October.

### Velasquez Rites at St. Rita's Church Will be Announced

The body of Pfc. Martin Velasquez, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Velasquez, 199 Grove, is en route home from Manila. The body is one of 107 being sent home on the U.S. Army transport, Lt. George W. G. Boyce, arriving at San Francisco within a month.

Pfc. Velasquez was fatally wounded February 22, 1945, in front of the Manila City Hall during a campaign. He was 21 years of age and had been in the army nearly three years.

When arrangements can be made, services will be held at St. Rita's Catholic Church.

Miss Dorothy Blood is the house-guest of Mrs. R. S. Macaulay of Canon Ave. for two weeks.

## Old Rivalry Results In Ranch Name

How a friendly rivalry between two pioneer settlers ended in the naming of a ranch was told to the NEWS by Convers L. Twycross, himself son of an early Sierra Madrean.

Seems as how N. C. Carter, whose home sat high at the head of Baldwin Avenue, entered into a neighborly argument with Abbott Kinney, whose home perched in the highlands near the present Hastings Ranch. Basis of the argument was the altitude of the two homes. Carter claimed he lived highest and Kinney claimed likewise.

At length it was determined that Carter was higher. To preserve the fact, he called his place "Carter Higher." So Kinney had no alternative but to call his holdings "Kinney Lower."

If you will repeat "Kinney Lower" to yourself a few times you will end up with the familiar "Kinneles," present name of the large ranch to the west of Hastings.

Simple, humm?

### NO LIGHTS—A CRIME EVEN ON A BUGGY

On December 17, 1917, a S. Wada was arrested by Marshall Art Udell for driving in a horse and buggy without lights—violation of city ordinance 160. He also was cited for resisting an officer.

Came the day in court and Mr. Wada was fined \$50—\$45 for traveling without light, \$45 for his resistance.

# California Booster N. C. Carter Calls First Settlers Here; Erects School and Obtains Water Rights

(Ed. Note: The following article, written for the Sierra Madre News in 1930, is taken from the collection of invaluable material of the Sierra Madre Historical Society.)

On a knob at the top of the hill at the head of Baldwin avenue, is the home of Mrs. N. C. Carter, widow of N. C. Carter, whose vision made Sierra Madre, the man who bought the site of the present city from "Lucky" Baldwin back in 1881.

Mrs. Carter is 84 years old. She lives alone in the big house she and her husband built in 1882—a house with spacious rooms, high ceilings—a house permeated with the atmosphere of an age sterling, stable, dependable.

Electricity has no place in it. There is no radio. On chilly nights Mrs. Carter sits by her wood-burning stove—the same one she and her husband placed in the "Sitting Room" nearly 51 years ago. She sits in the same rocker that has come down the years with her. And she achieves contentment in contemplation of a life well spent.

In the living room of her home, Mrs. Carter turned back the pages of her history. Her son, Arthur Carter, who lives on Alegria, helped with the story.

### HERE FOR HEALTH

"We came from Lowell, Massachusetts," she began. "My husband was ill and he was advised to come West. They called it consumption in those days. He weighed 134 pounds when he came here. When he was well and weighed 200 pounds, he was so pleased that he went back East to show them. He talked so much about the climate that many families from New England came here."

"Father ran the first excursion west on the Santa Fe," said Arthur.

From Northern California they started down in 1872 in a wagon and made about 30 miles a day. There were trading stations on the way and they aimed to make one each day.

### NO PASADENA

"When we arrived at the present site of Pasadena there were only two Mexican adobe houses there, one near the Southern Pacific and one on Monk Hill.

The first acreage Mr. Carter obtained in Sierra Madre was ten acres of the old Richardson place—where Cypress Court is now.

"Mr. Carter then bought 800 acres from 'Lucky' Baldwin. Then he bought the McComber place. He entered into an agreement with Baldwin for half the water rights of the Little Santa Anita Canyon.

"What did he pay for it? About 50 dollars an acre. When he sold part of it he got 60 dollars an acre."

### PRECIOUS WATER

"The first thing Mr. Carter did was to provide water. They brought it from a deep well and a tunnel in the canyon. That water served the acreage below us, but we were too high here and Mr. Carter built his own reservoir and brought us a private water supply.

"The water," said Arthur, "assured the future of this section. My father decided to bring people here to cultivate the land. He subdivided it into forty-acre lots with Baldwin avenue as the dividing line. People began to come in here then, and my father made frequent trips East to bring others out.

"Father built the first school house. It was just a square room with a hip roof and wooden benches. The first church services were held in the school room. They would get a preacher to come over from Pasadena. He had to come in the afternoon because he held Pasadena services in the morning. During six days of the week he worked

### Eastern Itinerary Planned by Sierra Madre Entertainer

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pierce with daughters Janelle and Suzy of 593 Sturtevant Drive are leaving Sunday for a two-year stay at their home in Ashton, Ill. Mr. Pierce, a professional magician has booked his shows in the East for that period.

They have rented their Sierra Madre home to Robert Ingraham of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Symphony during their absence. Mrs. Ida Lake, who has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Pierce is leaving this week for a brother's home in Helena, Montana.

### WEATHER WATCHER

Mrs. Carter has been the official government weather agent in Sierra Madre for forty years despite the fact that Col. H. B. Hersey, a nearby neighbor, has a complete U. S. Weather Bureau station here.

"Do you ever get lonesome up here all alone?" asked the writer.

"No, I don't. I saw four deer in my yard today and three yesterday," she said. "Out front I can see Los Angeles and the Pacific Ocean, too, if it is clear. I haven't time to get lonesome."

(Mrs. Carter passed away September 24, 1937, aged 91.)

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### ORANGE GROVE FAMILY ENJOY OCEAN CRAFT

Robert Summers of 671 Orange Grove Ave., has recently completed a 24-ft. fishing boat, representing a year's work. Mr. and Mrs. Summers have enjoyed several successful fishing trips, halibut being the catch.

Miss Jessie Parker and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Wilson and children of Hollywood were guests Monday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Langstaff at 415 South Sturtevant Drive.

Idaho bound are Mr. and Mrs. Donald Seeger, 251 South Baldwin, leaving soon for Twin Falls and a visit with Mrs. Seeger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Chase.

I am deeply grateful to the many friends expressing sympathy, also for flowers and all assistance extended to me in my hour of sorrow.

—Mrs. George P. Rikeman



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Grape Juice Welch's 24¢

(Quart bottle, 40¢)

Tomato Juice Sunny 3 18-oz. cans 25¢

(46-oz. can, 20¢)

Tomato Juice Libby's 18-oz. can 11¢

### CANNED FRUITS

Applesauce Redwood 20-oz. can 27¢

Peaches Castle Crest 25¢

(Choice halves, yellow cling)

Prunes Highway 2 29-oz. cans 29¢

Whole, unpeeled

Prunes Delight 14-oz. can 12¢

### Pork Sausage

Rath's brand.

8-oz. tin 38¢

### Corned Beef Hash

Libby's brand.

16-oz. can 32¢

### Chicken & Noodles

Lynden's brand.

16-oz. jar 27¢

### Chicken Fricassee

Lynden's brand.

29-oz. can 85¢

### Bisquick Flour

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40-oz. pkg. 44¢

### Peanut Butter

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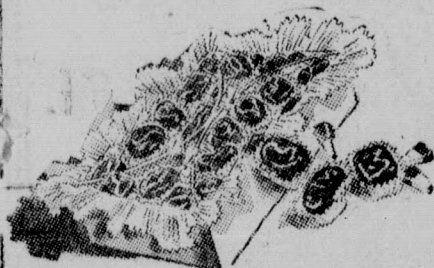
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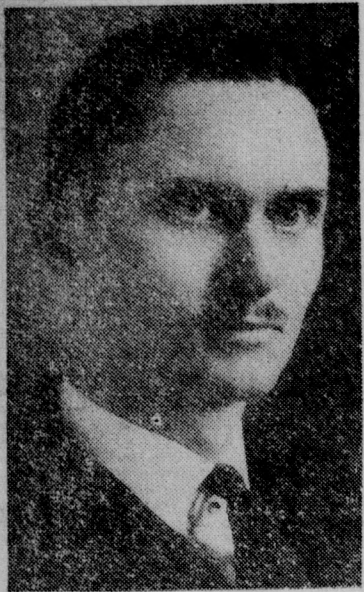
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## Wilson Trail Opened 1864 To Bring Timber Down; Still Is Mountaineers' Joy

The builder of the Mount Wilson Trail, Benjamin D. Wilson, or Don Benito as he was familiarly known, was born in Nashville, Tennessee, he arrived in Los Angeles in November, 1841, and settled where the Huntington Library and gardens are now located. Here he planted vineyards and orange orchards and his cattle ranged where Pasadena later grew up.

Early in 1864, in order to obtain timber from the stands of sugar pine and incense cedar on "Wilson's Peak," Don Benito had Indians and Mexicans start work on a trail beginning in Sierra Madre (however there

was no town there then) and following, in a rough way, the canyon of the Little Santa Anita.

### PACK TRAIN

By July or August of the same year the trail was completed

and E. S. Herford, a stepson of Wilson, had charge of the first pack train bringing down fence posts, pickets and shingles to the town of San Gabriel.

Before the completion of the trail, Mr. Wilson and his children's tutor had made the ascent to the top of the mountain. In the narrative of the trip,

The history of the burro corals is inseparably linked with that of the trails. Even as late as 1920 burro "zoning wars" cropped up in Sierra Madre.

### ONE SIDE

One of the rules of the trail when a pack train came along was for the hiker to stand on the outside edge of the trail while the burros passed. Timid

### Some Infusion

A car containing 20,000 Lbs. of tea ran off the ferry slip at Port Costa into the bay.

Cannibalism is evidently on the increase in Washington D. C. An advertisement in one of the papers reads: "Wanted—a white girl for cooking."

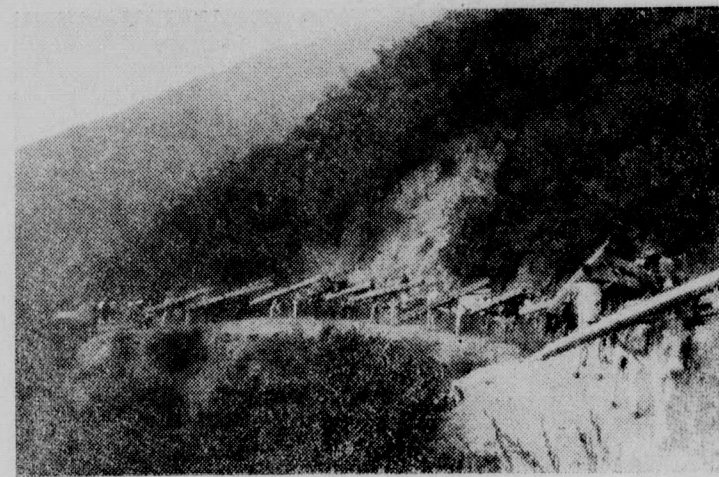
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### OBSERVATORY

In the spring of 1889 Harvard College established the first observatory and telescope on Mt. Wilson and the trail was widened in places to facilitate the transportation of heavy castings and other large pieces of equipment.

The first buildings along the trail were at the Half Way House. These were built by Don Benito during the construction of the trail in 1864 and consisted of a cabin, stable and blacksmith shop. The property later was homesteaded by George Islip and George Aiken who planted the orchards of cherries, plums and chestnuts, some of which still remain.

The old Quarter Way House, one and three-quarters miles from Sierra Madre, was built by Emile Deutsch in 1888 and used by the family for years.

### FIRST RESORT

Prior to the locating of the observatory, A. G. Strain had homesteaded there and in the spring and summer of 1889 had opened Strain's Camp.

The first lumber and building material used in the construction of the Mount Wilson Hotel was packed up the trail by William M. Sturtevant who came from Colorado with a string of 23 burros which had been used for packing ore from the mines there.

people, however, often sought the apparent security of the inside bank and, as a result, sometimes got badly bruised, as a burro always plants his hoofs stubbornly in the rut worn in the center of the trail—no matter what obstruction.

### ONE-EYED HERMIT

Most mountain areas give shelter to at least one recluse. The Hermit of the Big Santa Anita Canyon was an Armenian who came to Sierra Madre about 1898 with an old horse and an even older buckboard. He built himself a small stone house in the canyon downstream from First Water Camp.

His house, built without windows, was ventilated only by small openings between mortar and rock. Here he lived in seclusion and, among other things, made medicines out of native herbs.

When the Forest Service opened the canyon to cabin owners, the hermit did considerable work in helping build cabins. In a blasting accident he lost one eye.

Until his death, this tiny little man with his long dark hair, his shaggy dark beard, the black patch over one eye, formed a picturesque figure in our mountains.

(These excerpts have come from a full article by Arthur N. Carter, son of N. C. Carter, father of Paul Carter, active Sierra Madre citizen.)

## Congratulations SIERRA MADRE

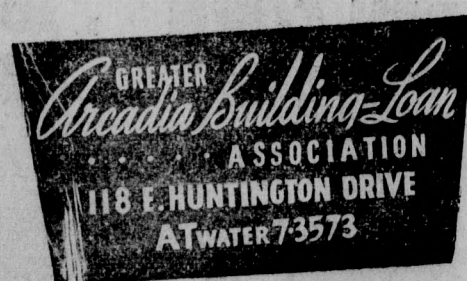


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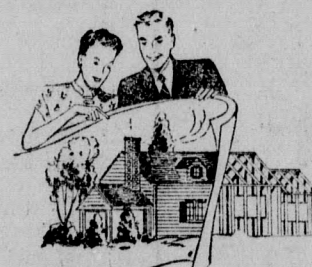
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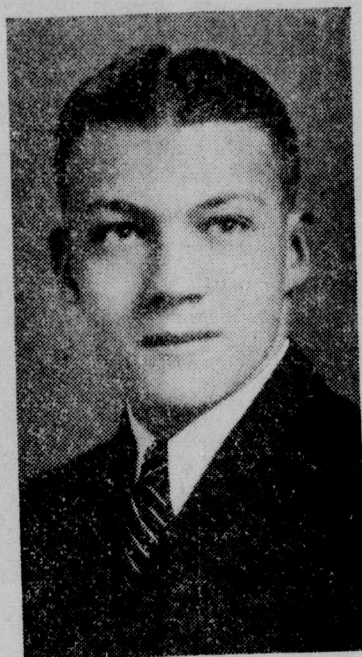
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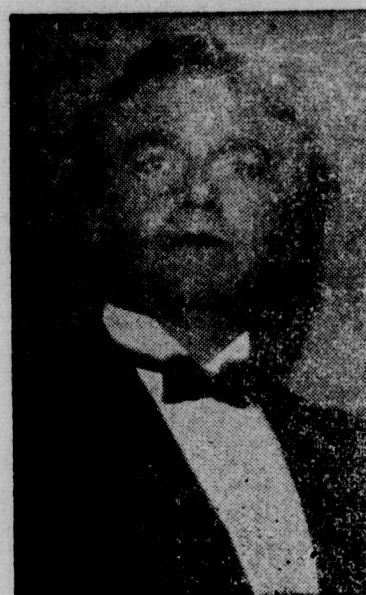
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## DANCE AT PARK HOUSE FOR SENIORS AND TEEN-AGERS

Following the three plays at school, seniors and teen-agers adjourned to the Park House to dance Friday night. Chaperones were Sam McElfresh, Louis Sauter and Mrs. Gleam Drury. Because of Pioneer Days there will be no dance tomorrow night.

## PRESIDES AT ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Joe Hinojos of East Montecito, president of the Monrovia Lions Club, invited Mr. and Mrs. Don Miller to be his guests at the 10th anniversary dinner of the club held Tuesday evening in Monrovia.

Don't jaywalk. Use pedestrian cross walks.

## POLICE BLOTTER

Arcadia coppers stop in to ask Chunn to accompany them on a Sierra Madre arrest. . . Barking dogs. . . A man shooting an air rifle. (After all, aren't we just kids?) . . . Lost wallet. . . Stray peacock! . . . Sick possum. . . Street lights out. . . Wants a fire permit. . . Mountain lion! When a mountain lion chased the cat owned by the Eyres' of Skyland, into the house, he was bold enough to peer through the brush at Mrs. Eyre. This sounded like music to Chief McMillan's ears. Off to the mountains he went, a shotgun under his arm. He waited and waited for the daring young mountain lion to appear. This smart animal realizes a good shot when it sees one. Hardly had the Chief returned to the station when the mountain prowler made return call to see the Eyres. Chief McMillan feels certain that the animal is a lion. He identified the footprints. . . A dog was about to enjoy fresh chicken meat when Mrs. Remington Stone appeared to scare him away. All that the dog got was feathers before he escaped. The chicken was left behind. . . Another bicycle stolen. . . Lost cat. . . Missing person. . . Stolen truck! . . . What was thought to be a prowler was only a white cat scratching at the door. . . Runaway boy. . . Hot rods racing. . . Dead body! . . .

## REGISTER FOR WORLD CONVENTION

The Kiwanis Club of Sierra Madre is sending official delegates, President Samuel McElfresh and Vice-president Dr. Milton Valois, to the 33rd annual convention of Kiwanis International, June 6 to 10, to be held in Los Angeles, with Chas. Klunk and Russell Garland, alternates.

Dr. Charles W. Armstrong, Salisbury, N.C., president of Kiwanis International, will head the list of distinguished speakers including Governor Warren and former Postmaster General James Farley. Southern California notables of stage, screen and radio will be on hand to entertain the delegates, wives and junior guests.

The convention will open Sunday evening at the Shrine Auditorium. Some 10,000 business and professional leaders from all sections of the United States, Canada, Alaska and Hawaii are expected to attend the five-day meeting.

Sierra Madre Kiwanians registered include: Bill Bodley, Dr. and Mrs. Lee Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Garland, Dr. Earl Gossard, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Green, Mr. and Mrs. Knox Hagar, Rudy Hartman, Jim Heasley, Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Klunk, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lange, Rol C. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Loomis, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McElfresh, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pickett, Dr. and Mrs. Corn Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Skutt, Dr. Milt Valois, Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Petersen.

## VITAL INTEREST TAKEN BY SIERRA MADRE CLUB

This story fits in most timely with the announcement that the Sierra Madre Civic Club is

sponsoring the organization of a Childrens Hospital Auxiliary with Mrs. Chas. Rizzo, a club vice-president as chairman. Mrs. Robert Bettencourt, presi-

dent, remarked that they hope to have the auxiliary functioning by the early fall.

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## W.C.T.U. MEETING

The Harter W.C.T.U. which met May 27th featured an educational question-and-answer period. These proings into the human mind bring forth some revealing results as those members present found to their surprise.

We hope the next meeting, to be announced at a later date, will be as interesting.

## WINS MONTEREY PARK AWARD

John Osti has been displaying a beautiful gold trophy this week which he won at the Monterey Park Pioneer Play Days celebration Saturday. It is inscribed as first prize for "The Longest Beard."

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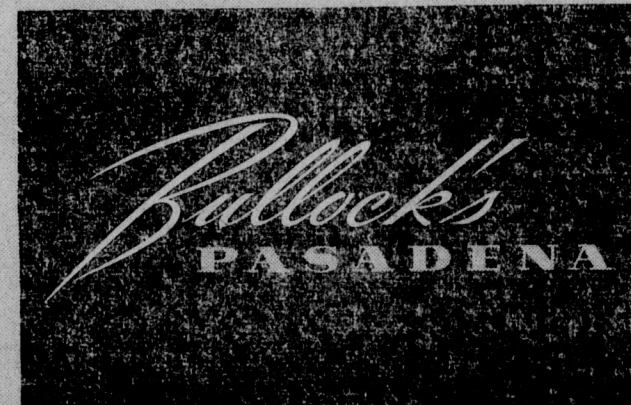
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(Ed. Note: This article, written by Mary A. Dickson, is on file in complete form with the Historical Society.)  
The Sierra Madre School District formerly was a part of the Santa Anita District which included the Chapman ranch, Llamada Park district, the Villa and the Arcadia and Monrovia districts—a large territory.

In 1890 the school house was situated on Baldwin's ranch, south of the Santa Fe tracks. A colored man, J. R. Lattimer, was clerk of the board and his records, though crude, are interesting.

In the summer of 1882, soon after N. C. Carter secured the Sierra Madre Tract, he erected a small school house on the corner of Hermosa and Live Oak.

Among the children who attended here were Arthur Carter and his sisters, Florence and Julia; Pliny Gregory, three Trussells, Charles Hastings of

the Hastings Ranch, several Chapmans and the children of W. M. Monroe for whom the city of Monrovia is named.

On Sept. 13, 1884, a meeting of the electors was held at the school house to vote for a new site and schoolhouse. Bonds were voted to the extent of \$3000 for two acres of ground at the northwest corner of Baldwin and Central, offered by Mr. Carter.

A building of two rooms with a large door between, which could be lifted, was built. Later a third room was added. A shed stood at the back, also an iron railing to accommodate the burros and Shetland ponies which brought the children to school.

Here is where a great many of our Sierra Madre men and women passed their school days. Many of them have become very successful in their chosen lines of work and made names for themselves.

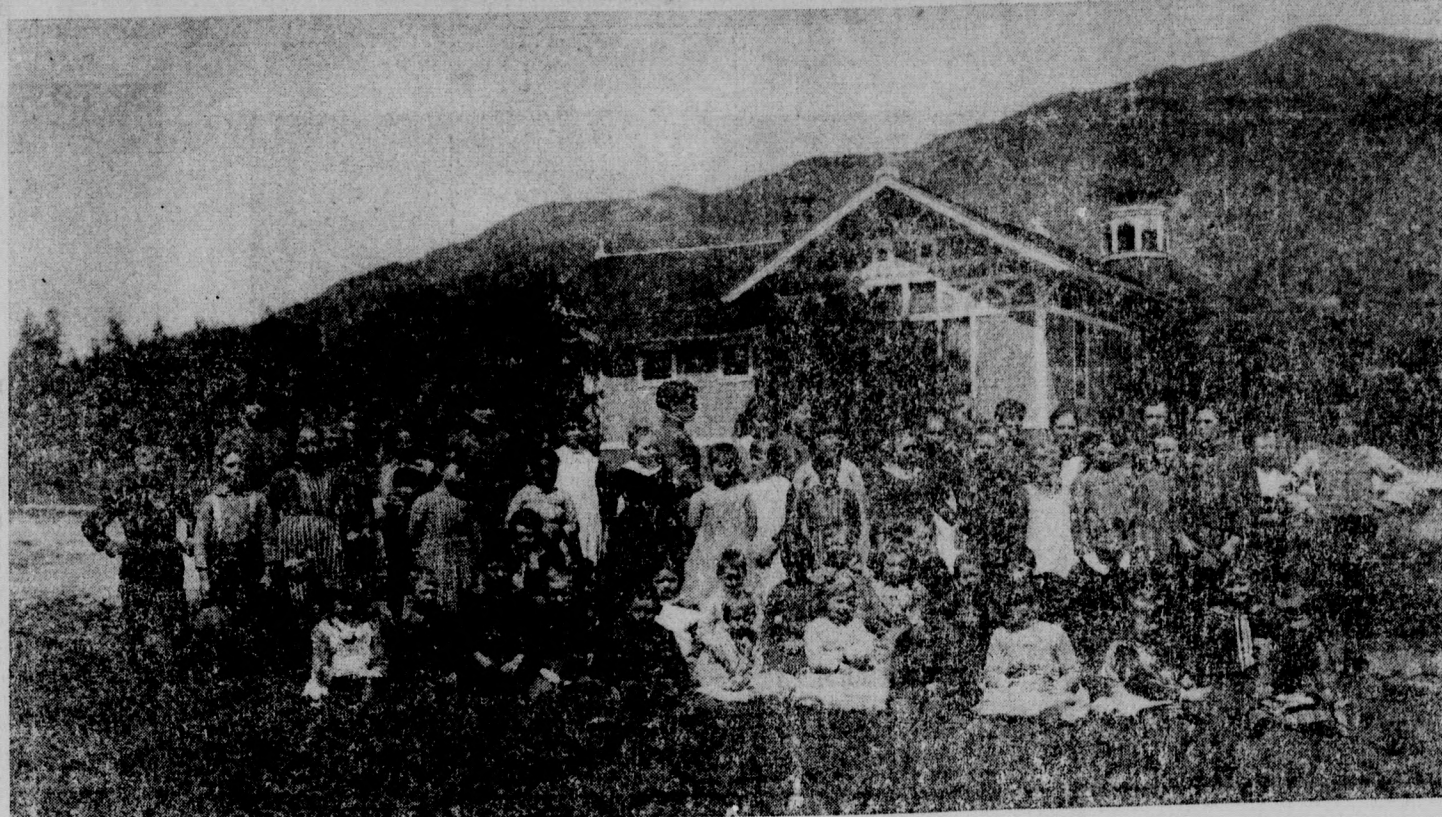
Richard Chapman, a well-known doctor; William Smyser, a singer of note; William Bixby, a civil engineer; Alfred Osgood, proprietor of three large markets in Los Angeles; Everett Minor, superintendent of all schools in Puerto Rico; John Hart, in the office of the New York District Attorney; Dr. George Blumer, dean of the medical college at Yale University.

Mrs. Anita Baldwin, whose name was known on both continents, also was a pupil here.

In 1906 the building was sold to Mr. J. D. Tucker. The land was then exchanged for four acres on Highland Ave., and the present business section of the town is built on what once was the old school grounds.

The widow of Henry Ward Beecher has the income of \$100,000 to live upon.

## SCHOOLHOUSE THAT STOOD ON KERSTING COURT



THE THREE R's AND THE HIGHER ARTS were taught in the old school until 1906 when land was procured on Highland Avenue where the present buildings stand.

Students gracefully arranged at the photographer's bidding above include Mrs. Edith Blumer Bowen, Mrs. Elsie Blumer Hart, Mrs. Hilda Blumer Thacher—the three tall and demure girls scattered along the back row.

Second from the right end, seated on the ground, is Mrs. Carlton Pagler. Holding his hat on the extreme right is Richard Chapman, son of A. B. Chapman, owner of the great ranch to the west of Baldwin's buildings.

Peering over his shoulder, the better to see the birdie, is Jim Hawks, father of R. A. Hawks, present engineering firm head. To those interested persons—further identifications can be made through the assistance and memory of gracious Mrs. Bowen.

Early 1900's Bring Long  
Water Wrangle To City

By C. W. JONES

## First Mayor of Sierra Madre

Electricity for lighting and power was the first utility to come to Sierra Madre. Natural gas was not in common use and the nearest gas plant was at Monrovia, but the cost of installing a trunk line and distributing network for a low pressure plant was practically prohibitive. Agitation for a locally owned gas plant was fostered by the Board of Trade which finally resulted in an election being called in 1909, for a municipally owned gas plant, which was favorably voted upon and which authorized an issue of \$30,000 in bonds to finance it.

About that time the Southern Counties Gas Company was organized and bonds recently voted were never issued nor sold, for a franchise was granted the company.

W. E. Farman was largely responsible for the present telephone system which began business with a few score subscribers.

"Water," always considered next to "air," was the big problem of the newly formed city government.

The Mutual Water Company, feeling the handicap of limited financial strength, was anxious to sell its established water plant to the city because they could not meet the demands of a rapidly growing community. The city wanted to buy the company's property, but a vital question popped up like a jack-in-the-box. E. J. (Lucky) Baldwin owning a half interest in the water rights of Little Santa Anita (now Sierra Madre) canyon and a half interest in the east tunnel whence most of our water had previously come, was a "dog in the manger." He earlier, having lost his suit against the water company to prevent use of tunnel No. 2, became antagonistic to any suggestion of expansion or further developments in any manner whatsoever. To acquire the water company's rights would not only have been inadequate but would have placed the city in a very awkward position for developing any additional supply as well as being tied up to a very unfriendly partner.

Condemnation was considered our only solution and since the city had no water rights it was deemed advisable to first begin condemnation of the Baldwin interests, having made agreeable arrangements with the water company to purchase their rights and property when and if we were successful in

our court action against Baldwin.

Suit was filed in 1910 against the Baldwin estate (Mr. Baldwin having recently died), to condemn all water rights, tunnels and pipe lines of said estate in the Sierra Madre canyon.

Thus began the litigation that embittered the irascible "Lucky" against the people of Sierra Madre and caused him to attempt to forever prevent the city's growth.

MARY-MARTHA CIRCLE  
HOSTESSES FOR MAY  
WOMAN'S SOCIETY

The Woman's Society of the Congregational Church will hold its regular monthly luncheon meeting next Tuesday, June 8th. The topic of the afternoon's program will be "Christian Education in the Home" by Mrs. Wm. H. Myers. Luncheon is at 12:30 with the Mary-Martha Circle as hostesses and the Consensos as honored guests. Nursery care will be provided for children. However, the regular morning business session is at 11 o'clock followed by Current Religious News in Review.

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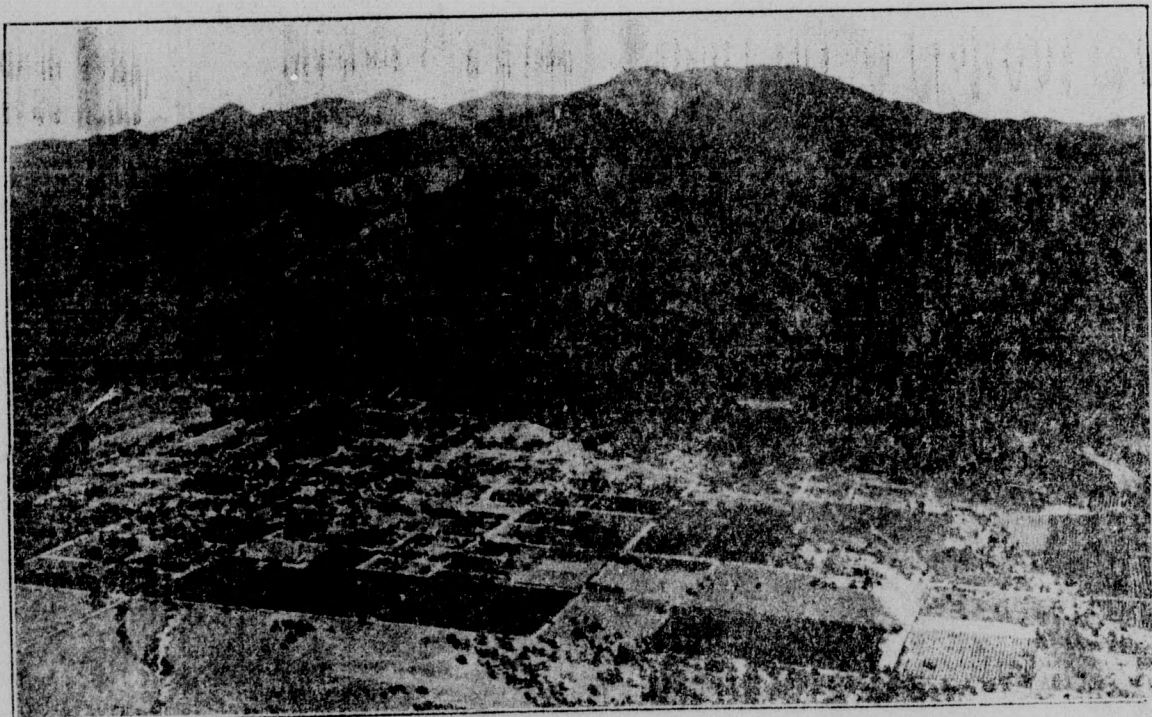
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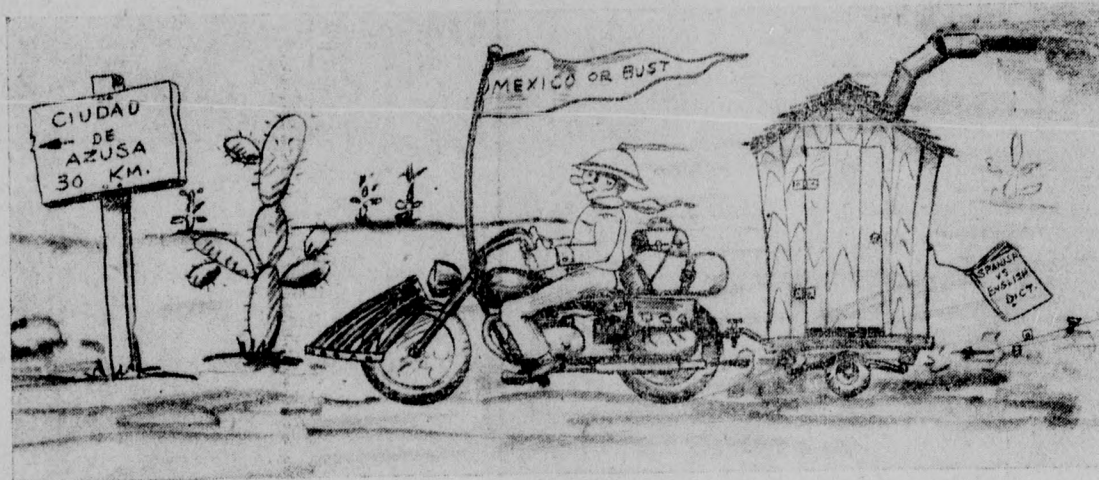
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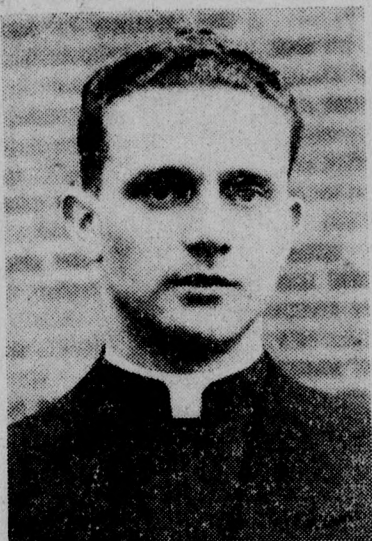
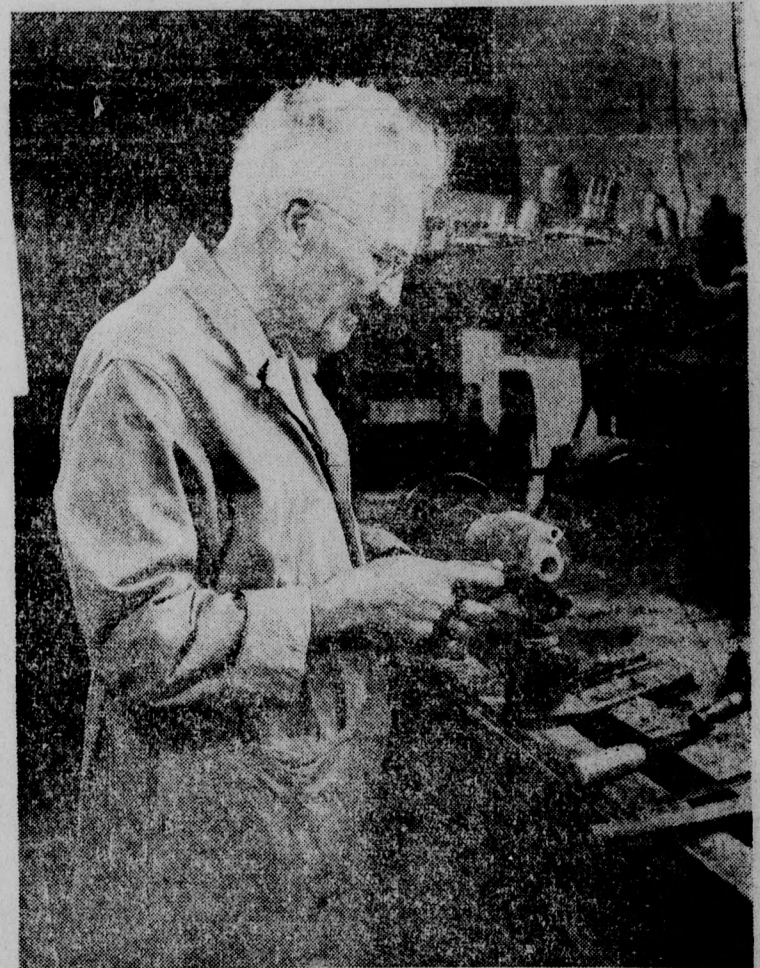
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No. 1—LEE SHIPPEY, whose book, "It's an Old California Custom" made a hit as well as enough royalties for him to set sail for Europe. No. 2—EDDIE D. ROBERTSON, appointed Postmaster, July 1, 1947. No. 3—MILTON STEINBERGER, named mayor for a second term, portrait-painted by Alfred Dewey. No. 4—P. L. BONEBRAKE, made national magazines with his Western yarns. No. 5—Popular MRS. GWEN DEWEY turned Civic Club presidency over to MRS. GAY BETTENGOURT, who guided it through past eventful year. No. 6—R. A. HAWKS, engineering firm head, who took a motorcycle, a lot of good will and a few Spanish verbs to Mexico City. No. 7—TOM HENDERSON, retired after more than a quarter century as Forest Service Patrolman for Sierra Madre, Arcadia, Monrovia in the Angeles National Forest. No. 8—Good Citizen BOY SCOUTS who set to and cleaned up Western approaches to city. No. 9—VICTOR ROTHE, well-known designer of custom-made pipes. No. 10—MISS MARTHA PRITCHARD, awarded national honors by American Association of School Librarians. No. 11—ALFRED JAMES DEWEY painted in the act by portraitist B. Ward Melvor. No. 12—FATHER KEITH, C. P., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Schiltz, ordained in St. Rita's. No. 13—DR. LESLIE M. HURT, named Pres.-elect of American Veterinary Medical Assn. No. 14—SAM McELFRESH, elected Kiwanis president. No. 15—RALPH (Pappy) WELCH, elected Lions president.